

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Please add the enclosed new drawing sheet as Figure 10 for the application. It is believed that the new drawing does not add any new matter as discussed above. Further support for the new Figure 10 is provided by at least originally filed Claims 1-11 and Claims 23-33 originally filed in parent application US App. No. 09/982,280. The enclosed drawing also complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84, and is labeled as a NEW SHEET.

REMARKS

This is believed to be a complete response to the 23 December 2010 and 9 July 2010 Office Actions. Please reconsider the application. Claims 1-26 remain allowed and pending.

I. Drawing Amendments

The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) as allegedly not showing every claimed feature. As discussed with the Examiner, Applicants provide a new drawing that shows the claimed features mentioned in Paragraph 1(a) in the 23 December 2010 Office Action. Support for this new drawing can be found in original Claims 1-11 and Claims 23-33 originally filed in parent application US App. No. 09/982,280. Accordingly, Applicants submit the drawings satisfy 37 C.F.R. 1.83(a) and request withdrawal of this objection.

II. Specification Amendments

Applicants add new Paragraph 118 corresponding to the new drawing sheet noted above. Applicants respectfully submit that this amendment to the specification does not introduce new matter and is supported, for example, in original Claims 1-11 and Claims 23-33 originally filed in parent application US App. No. 09/982,280.

III. 17 December 2010 IDS, RCE, & Ex Parte Quayle Action

As noted in the 23 December 2010 Office Action, the Examiner did not consider the 17 December 2010 IDS that Applicant filed. To ensure the Examiner reviews this IDS, Applicant requests continued examination to reopen prosecution in response to the previously issued Ex Parte Quayle Action. Because Applicant has already filed any relevant NPL or non-USPTO publications cited in the IDS, Applicant only resubmits correctly dated IDS forms for the Examiner's review. Applicant requests the Examiner to review the newly cited material and initial the IDS forms indicating reviews. Should the Examiner determine that any IDS materials are missing from the Application's electronic file, Applicant requests a phone call so that Applicant can re-file any items not readily available in the electronic file. Applicant believes that Claims 1-26 remain allowable over the cited items.

IV. Fees

Applicant timely files this Response with a RCE request, and submits the RCE fee via EFS-Web. No other fees are believed due but the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees deemed due to Dep. Acct. 17-0026 for acceptance of this submission and to keep this application pending.

V. Conclusion

This Response is believed to be a complete response to the outstanding Office Actions. Applicant respectfully asserts that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests passing of this case in due course of USPTO business.

If the Examiner believes that any issues associated with the Application can be resolved over the phone or by Examiner's amendment, a telephone call to Hunter Yancey at 858-845-7534 is respectfully requested.

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